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OF CONTROLLING DENTAL DEVICE

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COMMUNICATION IN RESPONSE TO MAY 4, 2009 OFFICE ACTION

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action issued May 4, 2009 in connection with the above-referenced application. Claims 1-12 are pending in the subject application. Applicant has not amended, cancelled or added new claims. Accordingly, claims 1-12 are still pending and under examination.

In the May 4, 2009 Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 1-6 and 9-11 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as obvious over Stoeckl, U.S. Patent No. 5,300,926 ("Stoeckl") in view of Fricker et al., U.S. Application Publication No. 2001/0013855 ("Fricker"). The Examiner also rejected claim 8 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as obvious over Stoeckl in view of Fricker and in further view of Lordo, U.S. Patent No. 5,558,371 ("Lordo") and claim 12 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as obvious over Stoeckl in view of Smith, U.S. Patent No. 6,204,837 ("Smith").

In response, applicant respectfully traverse the Examiner's grounds of rejection and maintain that Stoeckl does not disclose or suggest each and every element of applicant's claimed invention